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THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY
ST. BRIGID † OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

PARISH OFFICES ARE LOCATED AT:

St. Brigid Parish
59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527
Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
(508) 865-6624 • **Fax:** (508) 865-3101

Assumption Parish Phone: (508) 865-2657

St. Vincent de Paul: (774) 262-5506

www.assumptionmillbury.org
www.stbrigidparish.org

Check our websites for individual email addresses.

MASS TIMES

Assumption Church
12 Waters Street

Mon. & Thurs.: 9:00 AM
Tues. & Wed.: 7:00 AM
Sun.: 9:00 AM

St. Brigid Church
59 Main Street

Sat.: 4:00 PM
Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:00 AM (June - Sept.)
Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:30 AM (Oct. - May)

PASTORAL & ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Fr. Dan Mulcahy, *Pastor*

Deacon Ron Buron, K.H.S., *Permanent Deacon*
Facilities Manager
Safe Env. Coordinator

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.,
Pastoral Care Ministry

Claudette Belair, *Music Director*

Greg Bernard, *Faith Formation (Gr. K-12)*
Family Ministry

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Ronald Marlborough, *Maintenance Director*

Carol Trainque, *RCIA Director*
Liturgical Coordinator

Melissa Turner, *Administrative Assistant,*
Cantor

Members of the staff may be contacted by calling the Parish Offices at (508) 865-6624. The offices are open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 AM until 3:00 PM. If the offices are closed, feel free to leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturdays 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Baptism

Baptism Gatherings, to prepare families for the sacrament of Baptism, are held 4 times a year. Baptisms are held each month.
For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish offices at (508) 865-6624.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls

Please call the rectory when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.

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Assumption School
Millbury, MA
A legacy of learning...a history with heart

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Millbury, MA 01527
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Mass Intentions

Sat., Dec. 22

4:00 PM **Louis & Philamena Felice**
By: The Family

Sun., Dec 23

7:00 AM **Gerald Vuona**
By: Donald & Dorothy Favreau

9:00 AM **Arthur Boucher**
By: His Wife, Mary, & Family

11:30 AM **Walter Paille**
By: His Wife, Lovita

Mon., Dec. 24

4:00 PM **Neal Thomas**
By: His Wife, Susan

6:00 PM **Lawrence Gilmond**
Kevin Mahan
(Birthday Remembrances)
By: The Family

Midnight **The People of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury**

Tues., Dec. 25

10:00 AM **Connor Tronerud**
By: The Galgano Family

Wed., Dec. 26

No Mass

Thurs.,Dec. 27

No Mass

Sat., Dec. 29

4:00 PM **Rochelle Laporte**
(6th Anniversary)
By: The Family

Sun., Dec 30

7:00 AM **Anthony C. Surozenski**
By: Fr. Dan

9:00 AM **Roger Bourdeau**
(28th Anniversary)
By: His Wife, Aline

11:30 AM **George Law**
By: His Wife & Children

(N.B. Mass Intentions are handwritten in the official Daily Mass Record Book. Our apologies for any errors or misspelled names.)

Ministry Schedule

Christmas Eve, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid

AS:J. Prue, R. Prue, H. Prue; L: B. Travers
EM: P. Prince, J. Prince, K. Anderson, P. Michalak

Christmas Eve, 6:00 PM at Assumption

AS:J. Giro, M. Hoban, A. Seaman; L: J. Hoban
EM: J. Giro, D. Seaman

Christmas Eve, Midnight at Assumption

AS:R. Nagelschmidt, D. Piselli; L: M. Piselli
EM: J. Piselli, M. Sprino

Christmas Day, 10:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS:J. Mazeika, M. Horner; L: R. Spain
EM: K. Buron, M. Piscitelli

Saturday, December 29, 4:00 PM at St. Brigid

AS: T. Yaz, R. Prue, J. Prue; L: D. Wunn
EM: P. Michalak, L. Magnuson, K. Levitre, T. Goyette

Sunday, December 30, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: J. Mazeika; L: M. Blunt
EM: W. Blunt, M. Blunt

Sunday, December 30, 9:00 AM at Assumption

AS: M. Hoban, A. Weeks, A. Drapeau; L: R. Black
EM: C. Piorkowski, B. Pease, L. Pease, R. Plamondon

Sunday, December 30, 11:30 AM at St. Brigid

AS:D. Piselli, M. Horner; L: R. Stacy
EM: J. Piselli, C. Mignini

Tuesday, January 1, Holy Day, 9:00 AM at Assumption

AS:R. Nagelschmidt, J. Giro; L: C. Piorkowski
EM: J. Giro, R. Bazin

Scripture for the week of December 23, 2018

23 SUN Mi 5:1-4a/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
24 Mon Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Lk 1:67- 79
25 Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
26 Wed Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22
27 Thu 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
28 Fri 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Mt 2:13-18
29 Sat 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35
30 SUN Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52

Christmas Mass Schedule
December 24th ~ Christmas Eve Masses
St Brigid: 4 PM Mass
Our Lady of the Assumption: 6 PM Mass
Our Lady of the Assumption: Midnight Mass
December 25th ~ Christmas Day Masses
St. Brigid: 10 AM Mass

All are warmly welcomed, as we celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

SANCTUARY CANDLES BURNING DEC. 22-DEC. 28:

St. Brigid

In Loving Memory of
Gladys, Arthur & Robert Quitadamo
Requested by: The Mazzone Family

In Loving Memory of
Eva & George Malo & their daughter Jean Benoit
Requested by: Their Family

In Loving Memory of
Patti Lynne Campomizzi
Requested by: Her Mother

The Parish Offices will be closed Christmas Week, Mon., Dec. 24-Fri., Dec. 28, and no Masses will be celebrated during their usual times that week. The Parish Offices will also be closed on Tuesday, January 1, which is also the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, and a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 9 AM at Assumption that day.

Remember in Prayer this Week:

Those who serve in our Military:

Marc Winchester Emily Weagle

Reminder: Forms are available at each parish to add names to the Prayer List or call the rectory at 508-865-6624 with your request. Names will be removed on a monthly basis.

BISHOP BERNARD J. FLANAGAN
Council 12710 ▯ Sutton, MA.
Active in St. Mark, St. Brigid
and Assumption Parishes

From the moment Fr. McGivney launched the Knights of Columbus, the Order fortified Catholics in faith, offered them ways to greater financial security and strengthened them in self-esteem. Remarkably developed from its simple beginnings in a church basement, the Knights of Columbus today combines Catholic fraternalism and one of the most successful American insurance enterprises.

MINISTRY OF PRAYER
Prayer Line 508-865-5373

If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayer, call the confidential prayer line listed above.

In Loving Memory

John & Julia Anger
Lee Aubin
Maryann Auger
Jeanne Augustine
Larry F. Army
Francis R. Beaudoin
Arthur G. Boucher
Natalie Bourdeau
Patricia Bourdeau
Sylvio E. Bourdeau
Joseph & Rose Cataldo
Frank Cammuso, Jr.
Michael J. Cammuso
Philip Chabot, Sr.
Albert and Helen Collette
Pat and Tiff Correia
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer
Roland O. Couture
Gerald & Peggy Croteau
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.
Raymond DeRouin
Armand Desorcy
Joseph Dunn
Timothy P. Eckland
Jonathan Favreau
Lois M. Fisher
Joe & Jean Gagliardi
William Gain, Jr.
Bernice Gaudere
Ruth Gonsorcik
Daniel Guadagnoli
Derek Hamilton
Patricia Hamilton
Matthew Hartline
Russell Hicks
John Huchowski
Paul J. Jandron
Joanne Juskavitch
Claire Kobel
Richard Kroll
Michael Krumsiek
Lillian Langevin
Tan Le
Noe R. LeBeau, Sr.
Edward L. Lemoine
Kevin Lemoine
Rita Lemoine
Lorraine Letendre
Mark Lizotte
William and Irene Louis
Lucille Magowan & Arlington Chase
Leo & Jane Metivier
Kenneth Michalak
Mary B. Mrozinski
Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Joseph Noonan
Albert Nikosey
John P. & Bridget O'Malley
Janet Parsekian
Stephen Rodwill
Elaine Roy
Darlene Russell
Dorothy Russell
Marshall Russell
Michael W. Russell
William Russell
Albert & June Russo
Bob & Rita Shea
C. Richard Stockhaus
Joseph F. Stockwell
James Tabor
Neal R. Thomas
Connor Tronerud
Robert E. Vaillancourt
Lucille Vecchione
Virginia Waitonis
William T. Walsh
Margaret Wendt
Ronald Woodward
Duane & Delores Wunn
Frank J. Yaz

Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a $50 donation for the year. Please contact the office (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one(s).

SUNDAY ~ DECEMBER 23
NO Children's Liturgy of the Word @ OLAC/OLAH - 9 AM
SLAA @ SBH 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ DECEMBER 24
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED, NO MEETINGS

TUESDAY ~ DECEMBER 25
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED, NO MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY ~ DECEMBER 26
PARISH OFFICES CLOSED, NO MEETINGS

THURSDAY ~ DECEMBER 27
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KEY TO LOCATIONS

SBC=St. Brigid Church
SBH=St. Brigid Hall
CPO=Catholic Parish Offices
OLAC=Assumption Church
OLAH=Assumption Hall
OLAS=Assumption School

Snow Policy: No School/No Mass
For the safety of our parishioners, when school is **canceled or delayed** in Millbury, daily Mass is also canceled.

GRADUATE THEOLOGY COURSES AT ANNA MARIA

Anna Maria College is offering two graduate theology courses in the spring and early summer of 2019. Fr. Juan Echavarría is teaching a 3-credit course on Canon Law from **Jan. 3-March 21**. Fr. Nick Desimone is teaching a 3-credit course on Ecclesiology from **March 28-June 20** (with a break for Easter). Both will be held on **Thursdays from 6:30 to 9 pm** on the Anna Maria campus. Tuition (with diocesan discount) is $1,170 per course (diocesan school employees are eligible for an additional discount). Audit fees are $330 per course. For more information, email mtumeinski@annamaria.edu.

Adult Confirmation

Are you a baptized, catechized Roman Catholic adult (18 or older) who has never been confirmed? The Diocese of Worcester will celebrate a diocesan-wide adult Confirmation on **Sunday, February 3, 2019** at the Cathedral of St. Paul, Worcester. A retreat to prepare for Confirmation will be offered on Sunday, January 27, 2019 at Immaculate Conception Spiritual Renewal Center in Putnam, CT. If interested, please contact the pastor for more information.

A Little Christmas Open House

Fr. Dan and Deacon Ron would like to welcome Parishioners to a Little Christmas Open House on Saturday, January 5, at the Rectory, 12 Water Street, Millbury, from 6-8:30 PM. Light refreshments, hors d'oeuvres and beverages (including adult), will be served.

ADULT EDUCATION SERIES, led by Father Dan. Come soar with the Eagle as we walk through the last and perhaps the greatest of the gospels, the Gospel of John. Bring a favorite Bible or one will be provided.

Location – Assumption Hall
Time: 6:30 – 8:00 PM
Wed., Jan. 9
Wed., Feb. 6
Wed., March 13
Wed., Apr. 3
Wed., May 8
Wed., June 12

K of C Raffle Winner

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Dinner Basket raffle, which was held at the Chain of Lights at St. Brigid Millbury, was won by Michael Mann of Millbury. The proceeds of the raffle benefit Assumption School in Millbury and The Knights will present them with a check for $150. Thank you to all who participated.

MARCH FOR LIFE REGISTRATION INFORMATION AVAILABLE!

Join us for the Diocese of Worcester's bus trip to the 46th annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. Buses leave on **Thurs. Jan. 17 after the 7:30 p.m. Mass** at St. Paul's Cathedral, travel to Washington for the March for Life on Jan. 18, and return to Worcester. Cost is $80 per seat for registrations postmarked by Dec. 31, and $95 thereafter. For info and registration forms, visit www.worcesterdiocese.org/respect-life. Can't attend but want to help? Consider making a donation to help defray expenses for students who want to attend but might otherwise not be able to. Thank you!

FEAST OF HOLY INNOCENTS MASS & ROSARY PROCESSION

All are welcome to Blessed Sacrament Church, 551 Pleasant St., Worcester on **Friday, Dec. 28, 8:30 a.m.** for Mass followed at 9:15 by a Prayerful Rosary procession with the Blessed Sacrament to the abortion clinic. We will return to Blessed Sacrament Church praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, followed by Benediction. Join us as we pray for The Holy Innocents, for babies lost to abortion and for all unborn babies and for their moms and dads.

Pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan

St. Andrew Bobola Parish in Dudley is organizing a Pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan March 17-28, 2019. All-inclusive cost with breakfast & dinners is $3,190. Call 508.943.4533 for more information. Registration forms are available at www.standrewbobola.com.

STEWARDSHIP

St. Brigid Parish

Income

Weekend of December 8/9, 2018

Regular Weekly Collection	$5,176.00
Ordinary Collection Monthly	$445.00
Electronic Giving (Dec, 3-Dec.10, 2018)	$1,091.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$6,712.00**
Other Parish Income:	
Debt	$567.00
Debt (*Electronic Giving*)	$40.00
Specialty Ministries *(incl. online when appl.)*	$66.00
Utilities *(incl. online when applicable)*	$414.00
Mass Stipends	$40.00
SVDP	$10.00
All Saints	$5.00
Grand Annual	$39.00
Christmas Flowers	$387.00
Christmas	$50.00
Solemnity of Mary	$15.00
Candles	$10.00
Funerals	$600.00
Hall Rental	$75.00
Faith Formation	$695.00
Immaculate Conception	$940.00
Total Other Income	**$3,953.00**
Total Income	**$10,665.00**

St. Brigid Cash Flow

November 22-29, 2018

Payroll *(Week end 12/8)*	$4,283.43
PayChex, Inc. *(Payroll Processing Fee)*	$65.16
Payroll Taxes	$1,752.96
RCB 403B Plan	$92.59
Fr. Dan (*Stipends*)	$130.00
Clergy Benefits (*Health Ins.*)	$503.50
Millbury Rubbish Removal	$117.74
BC Property Maintenance *(Final Payment)*	$309.00
Cardmember Services (*Credit Card Purchases)*	$601.79
Great America (*Copier Lease)*	$319.00
Total Monies Paid	**$8,175.17**

FINANCIAL HEALTH

SECOND COLLECTIONS:
December 23–Debt
December 30–Debt

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

Income

Weekend of December 8/9, 2018

Regular Weekly Collection	$2,137.00
Ordinary Collection Monthly	$90.00
Electronic Giving (Dec, 3-Dec.10, 2018)	$125.00
Total Regular Weekly Collection	**$2,352.00**
Other Parish Income:	
Debt	$138.00
Debt (*Online Giving*)	$25.00
Utilities *(incl. online when appl.)*	$125.00
Specialty Ministry	$2.00
Hall Rental	$75.00
Mass Stipends	$10.00
Funerals	$300.00
Christmas	$55.00
Christmas Flowers	$271.00
Solemnity of Mary	$5.00
Immaculate Conception	$218.00
Total Other Income	**$1,224.00**
Total Income	**$3,576.00**

Assumption Cash Flow

November 22-29, 2018

Fr. Dan (*Stipends*)	$120.00
St. Brigid (*Monthly Reimbursement*)	$4,049.91
BC Property Maintenance *(Final Payment)*	$309.00
Clergy Benefits (*Health Ins.*)	$503.50
Total Monies Paid	**$4,982.41**

St. Brigid's debt figure, after the November payment and Diocesan match, is $141,565.60

Thank you for your continued support of The Catholic Parishes of Millbury!

Envelope update

The January and February 2019 envelopes have been mailed out from the envelope company. Parishioners should have received their packets by this time. If you have not yet received your parish envelopes, please call the parish offices.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Diocese of Worcester
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS

3rd Sunday - 10:00 AM
The Offices of the
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend
Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions. NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend - 12:15 PM
St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

THE PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:
Oatmeal, Pancake mix, Spaghetti, Pasta, Spaghetti sauce, Fruit, Soup, Tissues, Coffee, Tea.

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

Volunteers Needed

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of the Catholic Parishes of Millbury is seeking volunteers to pick up donations from Target in Millbury and deliver them to St. Brigid Parish, every Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30 P.M. If you have limited time, but are interested in volunteering on one or both the these days each week, please contact Leo Lucke of SVDP at 774-262-5506. Thank you.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT SHOP

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
507 Park Ave., Worcester (508) 752-4232

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

May the peace of Christ be with you this Christmas! Savor Christ's presence in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Jan 18-20, 2019 in South Kingstown, RI and Mar 8-10, 2019 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at https://wwmema.org/.

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem stands as an ancient witness to the birth of Jesus Christ. Originally constructed in 327 A.D. over a cave venerated as the birthplace of Jesus, most of the original church was destroyed in a sixth century Samaritan revolt. Rebuilt in 565, the second church still stands today. Through the centuries, the Church of the Nativity has been battered by time and weather. It has suffered fires, earthquakes, desecrations and even gun battles. The interior, too, suffers neglect as squabbles among Armenian, Greek, and Catholic caretakers have delayed needed renovations to the roof, walls, and paintings. For some on the outside, the Church of the Nativity, battered, fortress-like and unattractive to the eye, is disappointing. Even to some on the inside, the neglect is disheartening. But then, descending a staircase to the cave below, one sees on the floor a silver star and the words, "Here Jesus Christ was born to the Virgin Mary." Those words and that realization give one profound pause. Here, on this very spot, salvation came, hope was born, Here, Mary laid God's Son in a manger. To this very place, angels directed shepherds who hastened and worshiped. In this very place, like Mary and Joseph, pilgrims for centuries knelt in awe and wonder. From this spot, they have returned home, closer to God, renewed in faith, convinced anew of the great love of God who created us and draws us on. Realizing all that, pilgrims are glad that they did not let the visible defects deter them from entering the Church and staying in it to reach the sacred spot. In some ways, the Church of the Nativity might be a metaphor for today's Church. Scandals, desecration, and the neglect of some priests and bishops in past years have caused tremendous suffering and sullied the image of the Church. Looking around from outside, some don't want to enter. Being discouraged on the inside, others have left. This, too, is tragic because it is only in the heart of the Church in the liturgy, sacraments, communion of the saints, the Scriptures and Tradition authentically handed on that one can regularly encounter the ordinary means of God's saving graces. Our world, our society, and culture need those graces. We must continue to remain vigilant in order to protect our children, but we must also never forget the treasures that have been entrusted to the Church and offered to us in the sacraments. The same Jesus, born at Bethlehem, and laid in the manger by Mary comes to us to nourish our souls, to bring us His love, healing and peace. Like Mary, Joseph, the Shepherds and the Magi, may that encounter give you and your loved ones joy and peace on Christmas and each week at Mass.

With every prayerful best wish for a Blessed and Merry Christmas, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,
+ Robert J. McManus
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

HOME CARE AIDES NEEDED

Catholic Charities
Worcester County

Catholic Charities Home Care program is looking for aides to care for individuals in surrounding towns. Aides provide light housekeeping, laundry, and shopping. Paid training and a schedule to meet your needs. Please call **1-800-649-4364** for an appointment.

YOUTH & FAMILY FORMATION

Welcome all families and children to a new year of Family Faith Formation! All sessions begin in Assumption Church Hall promptly at the designated time.

UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Grade 2	January 13 10:00 - 11:20AM February 3 9:00AM Commitment Mass
Grades 3 & 4	January 6 & 27 10:00 - 11:20AM
Grades 5 & 6	January 14 & 28 6:00 - 7:15PM
Grades 7 & 8	January 13 6:00-7:30PM
Grade 9	January 6 &27 6:00 - 7:30PM
Grade 10	January 6 & 27 6:00 - 7:30PM

flocknote

Flocknote is a new parish communication tool we are implementing to help keep parishioners informed and up-to-date on parish life.

TO JOIN, TEXT THE WORD

MILLBURY TO 84576

Cookies & Cocoa With Santa and Mrs. C.

St. Gertrude Prayer

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home, and within my family. Amen.

Assumption School
Millbury, MA
A legacy of learning...a history with heart

Assumption School Christmas Bulletin Board

YOUR SMILE FOR TODAY

HOPE, PEACE, LOVE, JOY
Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year
from
Assumption School!

Chain of Lights

Sunday, December 2nd was an exciting day for many. Assumption School took part in the Millbury Chain of Lights. Games, face painting, and crafts were a few of the fun activities that went on during the day. What a great way to start off the Christmas Season.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Assumption School Box Tops for Education

Clipping is easy! Find Box Tops on hundreds of products you know and love.

It's easy to find Box Tops. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Clip Box Tops from your favorite products and turn them in to Assumption School. Box Tops are each worth 10 cents and they add up fast. A collection box labeled "Box Tops for Education" will be at the entrance of both Assumption Church and St. Brigid Church. Just drop off your Box Tops on your way in or out of Mass.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious, or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Judith Audette Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363. A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

PARISH AND LOCAL AREA NEWS

MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER ACTIVITIES

RMV TRANSACTIONS

Every Wednesday 10 AM - 2 PM
We focus on Duplicates/Renewals for License, Registration, Mass I.D. and Placard Cards along with Change of Address! Call us for an appointment!
(508) 865-9154

THE MILLBURY SENIOR CENTER IS NOW ACCEPTING SNAP APPLICATIONS
(Food Stamps)

Our appointments are on Tuesdays & Thursdays 10 AM. – 2 PM. Call for an appointment & required documentation. 508-865-9154

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

ALL NEW!! MAHJONG GAME
Join us every Monday for this new popular tile game at 12:45 P.M. – 3:35 P.M.

Craft Classes
Wednesdays from 9:30-11 AM

Pastel Dreamers Coloring Classes
Thursdays 10 - 11:30 AM
NO SUPPLIES NEEDED!

Bridge Club
Fridays at 12:30 PM
Call 508-865-9154 for info about any program.

Cribbage Club
Join us every Monday at 1PM
for our NEW Cribbage Club! Have Lunch ahead of time at noon to make it a fun filled day! ***Noon lunch every Monday through Friday. Suggested donation $2.50. Remember every Friday is special treat day. A 48 hour reservation is required.***

Information for bulletin publication
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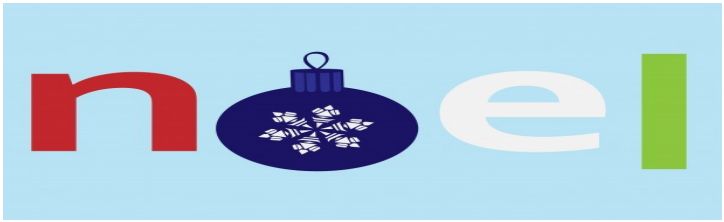
WOMEN'S GROUP IN WORCESTER

A new Endow group is convening in Worcester starting on **Jan. 11, 2019 at 8 pm**. This is a small group for women of all ages interested in growing in faith, community, and knowledge of the Church's teachings on women. The group will meet weekly on Friday evenings at 8 pm in the home of Sarah Berry (a parishioner at St. John's, Worcester). Our first study will be Pope John Paul II's *Letter to Women*. For more information, or to sign up, visit https://endowgroups.org/groups/worcester-group-2. You may also contact Sarah at 214-632-3399 or sarahlizberry@gmail.com.

Millbury Senior Center's MEMORY CAFÉ
Please join us for a Memory Café :
Tuesday, January 22, 2 - 3:30 P.M. at the Center
A Memory Café is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss/challenges and their care partners. It's a time to socialize, make new friends, and have a good time. Fourth Tuesday of each month, refreshments are served. Our Outreach worker, Julie Fitzgerald, will answer questions, call to RSVP 508-865-9154!



ELDERLY AND HOMEBOUND

Transportation available - 4:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Brigid Church. This ministry is sponsored by both parishes utilizing a handi-capable van.
For information call Deacon Ron (508) 865-6624.

SHUTTLE INFORMATION

Saturday, December 22	**Jan Hanratty**
Saturday, December 29	**Michelle Desorcy**
Saturday, January 5	**Ted Jakubiak**

If you know of a parishioner who is homebound or shut-in, please contact Deacon Ron at (508) 865-6624 to set up a time to receive Communion. If you have a friend or relative who is a member of St. Brigid or Assumption and who is in a nursing home and would like to be visited and or receive communion, please call Deacon Ron here at the offices at (508) 865-6624. You bringing this to our attention is the only way we can be sure that our parishioners are visited.